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VMS MARINE SCIENCE STUDY OF PERSIAN GULF

REF: (A) TELCON OF APR 20, 1977 FM DR. DAVID ROSS TO LIIMATAINEN,  
(B) STATE 79392

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO DR. ROSS, SENIOR SCIENTIST,  
WOODS HOLE OCEANOLOGICAL INSTITUTE, MASS.:

(A) EMBASSY SCIENCE ATTACHE MET WITH DOE ON APRIL 20 WITH DR. AMINI  
AND MRS. ABASSI (SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO ENVIRONMENT DIRECTOR FIROUZ  
WHO NOW IN GENEVA) RE FINANCIAL CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY ROSS.

(B) ABASSI SAID SHE WAS A BIT "UPSET" BY MESSAGE FROM ROSS, ET AL,  
BECAUSE SHE IS CONFIDENT THAT MATTER ALREADY CLEAR AND SHE PUZZLED  
BY APPARENT MISUNDERSTANDING BETWEEN DOE AND WOODS HOLE.

(C) AMINI ALSO COMPLETELY FLUMMOXED BY APPARENT NON-RECEIPT OF  
WOODS HOLE BY FUNDS FROM DOE. AMINI SHOWED SCIENCE ATTACHE A  
COPY OF BANK MILLI FINANCIAL TRANSFER FORM CONFIRMING THAT  
\$60,142.00 WENT FROM DOE TO WOODS HOLE, VIA BANK MELLI BRANCH  
IN NEW YORK CITY ON FEBRUARY 20, 1977. PERHAPS WOODS HOLE COULD  
KINDLY CHECK WITH BANK MELLI NYC BRANCH TO DETERMINE IF COMMUNI-  
CATION PROBLEM IS THERE.

(D) ALSO, AMINI ASSURED THAT, INsofar AS HE IS AWARE (IN ABSENCE  
OF FIROUZ), THAT DOE IS FULLY SATISFIED WITH JOINT DOE-WOODS HOLE  
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R/V ATLANTIS CRUISE OF PERSIAN GULF AND THAT THERE IS NO FEELING  
OF LACK OF PERFORMANCE. FURTHER, IN TELCON WITH DOE DR. HARGER,  
BANDAR ABBAS MARINE LAB, HE ALSO CONFIRMED THAT FROM THEIR POINT  
OF VIEW COOPERATIVE STUDY WAS A SUCCESS, AND THAT THE DATA OBTAINED  
WILL DOUBTLESS PRODUCE VERY USEFUL SCIENTIFIC REPORTS, AND INCREASED  
UNDERSTANDING OF MARINE LIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS OF PERSIAN  
GULF.

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